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For This We Render ...Thanks

By J. Narver Gortner

For all the blessings of this life
To us so richly given,
Where sin and grief and woe are rife,—
The gifts God gives from heaven,—
For life, and health, and joy, and grace,
And food, and raiment, too,
And strength to run and win the race,
And to our God be true,—
For these we render thanks.

For plenty in a world of want,
Where millions cry for bread,
And multitudes, with hunger gaunt,
Go supperless to bed,—
For every need so well supplied
That we have some to spare;
Not one of all we know has died
For lack of food or care!—
For this we render thanks.

For our republic,—land we love,—
Home of the brave and free,
God in His heav'n enthroned above,
On either side the sea,
Homes dotting plain and vale and hill,
Our peace preserved as yet,
No sword of foe unsheathed to kill,
Or cause us vain regret,—
For this we render thanks.

For freedom that is still our boon
Where men have died that we
Might it possess—God grant that soon
Mankind shall all be free!—
Freedom to think, and speak, and write,
And worship God, and grow
Till wrong shall cease to be, and right
Shall all men love and know,—
For this we render thanks.

CURRENT SIGNS

A DIGEST OF CURRENT EVENTS IN THE LIGHT OF PROPHECY—BY ALBERT J. LEBECK

War Spreads East

As we write this column the German troops have taken over Rumania and the next move seems to be in the direction of Bulgaria. It is believed then that Germany and Italy will endeavor to conquer Greece and Turkey, thus gaining passage for their troops into Syria and Iraq, and possess the much needed oil for their huge war machine.

Albert J. Lebeck

Some would have us believe that their final objective is to swing around through Palestine and attack the Suez Canal and Egypt in conjunction with the Italian forces driving upon Egypt from the west. Their aim and purpose is to drive the English land forces and fleet from the Mediterranean area. If they are able to carry through their plans, we can see the foreshadow of the revival of the Old Roman Empire.

The Russian Enigma

The question is often asked, What will Russia do? Will she continue to allow Germany to penetrate into the Balkans and to consolidate her position and be a threat to Russia? Hitler has clearly stated in his book that his ultimate aim would be to gain possession of the rich Ukraine, which is the "bread basket" of Russia, which would be a great source of food supply for Germany. Germany's continued advance into the Balkans may arouse the suspicions of Russia and yet bring her into conflict, at least so the British hope.

There has been a good deal of talk about Russia building fortifications along the new Russian-German border in Rumania. Some writers state that it is merely propaganda, that Germany has made a deal with Russia that will provide her with another slice of territory without having to fight for it as a reward for her neutral stand. One fact that seems paramount to me is that the war is shifting nearer and nearer to the battlefield of Armageddon.

New Fast Plane

The world's fastest military airplane, the new Lockheed Interceptor, was unveiled recently for William S. Knudsen, chairman of the National Defense Advisory Committee; and at the same time Major General Henry H. Arnold, chief of the Army Air Corps, released for the first time its performance figures.

Its speed, said Arnold, is 460 miles an hour at two-thirds throttle, but more than 500 miles per hour with open throttle. "The world's fastest," he added. Its range is 1,100 miles; the rate of climb 4,000 feet per minute; armament, one rapid fire cannon shooting a one-pound shell, and four machine guns.

When one hears of the marvelous strides made in aviation, the text is recalled that "in the last days knowledge shall increase and many shall run to and fro." The increase in technical knowledge has made it possible to provide better means of transportation with higher speed and at a lower cost, thus enabling more people to travel, and thus fulfilling prophecy.

French Blame Drink

"French blame drink for the loss of the war and decree partial prohibition to end what was called a disastrous era of alcoholism among French soldiers," reports the United Press. "For eight months during the 'phony war' when there was virtually no action on the western front the French troops drank tremendous quantities of alcohol," spokesmen said, "and military authorities blame the widespread intoxication for much of the moral collapse of the soldiers. The drinking produced nervous disorders and shell shock when the French forces finally came up against mechanized forces, particularly such terrifying weapons as whistling bombs and swarms of tanks," it was said.

When the war started a year ago France had become the heaviest drinking nation in Europe. The new decree limits drinks to 16 degrees of alcoholic strength and provides for three non-alcoholic days each week.

The people of America need to take warning, for this country is the largest liquor consuming nation in the world and our end may be that of France if we continue in the present dissipation.

Cigaret Output

Census bureau figures show that American manufacturers turned out 180,575,905,000 cigarets in 1939, valued at $940,741,105, which is an increase of six per cent over that of 1937. The cigaret production was equal to 107 packs a year or six smokes a day for every person 18 years old or older.

What a healthier and better nation this would be if this money was spent for constructive purposes!

A Smoking Mother

Her baby was sick and so she called the doctor. After a brief examination he asked the mother, "Do you smoke?" "Yes," she admitted. "That is what is wrong with your baby. You must either quit nursing or quit smoking." "Oh dear," moaned the mother, "I guess I will have to quit nursing then."

Is a mother worthy of the name who loves her sin of smoking more than she loves her own child?

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The Conquest of Canaan

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"There remaineth yet much land to be possessed" (Joshua 13:1).

The conquest of Canaan under the leadership of Joshua was a striking type of the conquest of Christianity under the leadership of Christ, the Captain of our Salvation.

It is one thing to cross the river Jordan and sing a song; it is another thing to enter in. And it is quite another thing to shout down the walls of Jericho, to stone Achan to death at Ai, to go on until it can be said that the whole land is possessed. At the time these words were uttered it could be truthfully said that the land of Canaan was subdued. The power of the southern kings had been broken at Horeb, and the northern countries had been subdued at the waters of Merom. But when it came to the individual possession of their personal inheritance the people were so slack that Joshua threw down a challenge and cried out, "How long are ye slack to go up and possess the land which the Lord your God hath given to your fathers?"

Their hesitation is a striking picture, first, of our Christian age, and second, of individual Christian experience. When we glance over the past we cannot fail to note how slack, how reluctant Christianity has been to go up and possess the land and to carry out the great commission of our glorified Christ. After nineteen centuries, two-thirds of the population of the earth are without the knowledge of Christ, and nine-tenths of the people are without salvation. He has some magnificent plans for this old world if He can only find someone who would carry them out.

Oh, that God would give His children a real spiritual hunger for the many good things that lie this side of Pentecost! There are many things that are rich and full—blessings never yet attained. Some have made the mistake of supposing that the Baptism in the Holy Ghost is the ultimate of Christian experience, but it is only the beginning of a triumphant, victorious, conquering tread which means to possess the land to the going down of the sun.

Thousands have failed to keep step with God, and the worst thing that can be said about them is, they are left behind. Many of them still profess the Baptism of the Holy Ghost and testify to it, but they are empty and powerless in their lives. They forget that the infilling of the Spirit is not only instantaneous but gradual, and the gradual phase of this experience is sadly neglected in these days. It is instantaneous in its reception and in the coming of the Holy Ghost to His temple. But while our hearts are made clean in a moment, our lives are transformed into His image as the years go by. This requires time, patience, labor, and waiting upon God, that His highest purposes may be accomplished in and through us and that we may possess the land.

There is something in this progressive, arm-in-arm walk with the Holy Ghost that is unlike anything else in the universe. On and on—we do not stop with the fall of a city, or the beheading of a king, but we go on to obtain our inheritance. Let us lift up our eyes and behold the magnitude of His purchase for us. Some of these times we will go over there where Achsah's blessing is found. When she was married she requested her father Caleb to give her not only the southland which was her inheritance, but also "the upper and nether springs." When under the scorching sun her pools, rivulets and brooks dried up, when the rill of the valley was no more, here came the stream from the upper springs. They were never failing.

There is a place in God where we may not only have the nether springs of earthly joys, companionship of friends and loved ones, but when these are all gone and every earthly joy is dried up and the last human prop is fallen, then from the upper springs of God's bountiful ocean of love and grace will come the cool, refreshing streams upon our souls that will cause us to "rejoice with joy unspeakable and full of glory."

The saints that have persevered and who have accomplished the most for God have always had these springs. Abraham found them on Mt. Moriah. Moses found them among the hills of Midian. David discovered their life-giving flow when he had to flee for his life from the face of his enemies and hid in caves and desert places.

Isaiah, in the midst of darkness and trials which surrounded his life, found these upper springs and sang of the glorious streams and fountains. "With joy," he said, "shall ye draw water out of the wells of salvation." Habakkuk found these springs when the pastures were dry and sear, when the flocks had failed, when there was nothing in the stall, when the crops were all dried up and there was nothing in the vineyard—he sang, "Yet will I rejoice in the Lord; I will joy in the God of my salvation."

Paul and Silas found these springs in the old prison at Philippi and they sang the doors open and sang the prisoners free for they had the upper springs of the Holy Ghost. John Bunyon drank from this life-giving stream in the Bedford jail and declared, "So they had me off to prison. I sat me down to write. I wrote and wrote, for joy did make me write." Mary Dyer found these springs on the scaffold on the Boston Commons and she drank and drank until her soul took its flight to the city of God.

These springs are still running! The fire of the Holy Ghost still burns today!

The coming of the Lord has been delayed because the land has not been possessed. One generation after another has been swept from the earth. God is waiting until He can find a generation who will go up and claim their inheritance through faith.

There remaineth much land yet to be possessed. We should not be satisfied with a low standard of Christian living when the Sun of Righteousness has so much better for His people. There are heights and depths, lengths and breadths; "and to know the love of Christ which passeth knowledge, that we may be filled with all the fulness of God." We must possess the land!

"YE HAVE NOT BECAUSE . . ."

"If you had been living when Christ was on earth
And had met the Saviour kind,
What would you have asked Him to do for you,
Supposing you were stone blind?"

The child considered, and then replied,
"I expect that without a doubt
I'd have asked for a dog with a collar and chain,
To lead me daily about."

And how often thus, in our faithless prayers,
We acknowledge with shamed surprise,
We have asked only for a dog and chain,
When we might have had opened eyes.

—Selected.

Introducing . . .

Our Turlock Church

The work in Turlock was started in the summer of 1917 with cottage prayer meetings when a hunger after God was manifested.

H. E. Alford

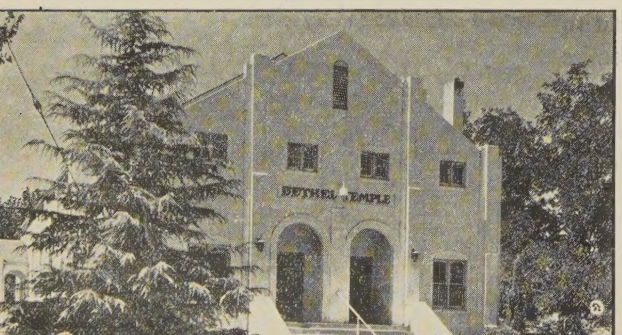
The first mission was built in the fall of that year. Brother R. J. Craig, who was then District Superintendent, set the church in order and recommended Brother Adolph Peterson for pastor. Accepting the pastorate he remained for two and a half years and was succeeded by Brother Samuel Swanson who served the church for over a year. Brother Victor Swift was the next pastor, followed by Brother Chris Knudsen who ministered for four years. It was during the time of his pastorate that the lots were purchased on which the present building is located, and a building fund was started.

Brother J. W. Nilsen was temporary pastor for one year after which Brother John C. Nelson gave his services for six years. During this time the beautiful Bethel Temple was built, located at Third and A Streets.

Mrs. Roxanna Alford

Brothers Guy Renfrow and Leonard Rogers pastored for awhile, and then the church called Brother and Sister H. E. Alford. The Lord has blessed during the time in which Brother and Sister Alford have been pastors. Thirty-two have been saved, twenty-eight have been baptized in the Spirit, thirty-three have been baptized in water, and thirty-five have united with the Assembly.

The church has an orchestra and choir, splendid young people's and Junior C.A. groups, and a children's church. The Sunday School has been consistently growing. The attendance at the present time is about 180 which is an approximate increase of 35 over that of last year. Recently $300 was expended in providing adequate individual class rooms in the basement.



Turlock Bethel Temple
located at Third and A Streets

FROM DEATH UNTO LIFE

By MAX FREIMARK

(Continued from last issue)

I reasoned — the only means I had on hand from observations—as there are real intelligent people in the Christian churches, would they not come out of them if they were not sincere? Furthermore, if God is God, and they were in an illusion about this Jesus, which I knew was an illusion for which I greatly pitied them, much as I hated Jesus, would not God have mercy upon them and set them right? Sure, they were wrong about observing Sunday instead of Saturday, but there was not anybody observing the real Sabbath day either. These things, which I positively knew were true, kept growing on my hands until they were as big as mountains. I had to take a step in casting off these onrushing waves of conviction, cost it what it may. The outcome of it was my marriage to a Gentile. Thank God! I confess that we both were sinners, but if that would not have been the case, we would not have gone so deep in repentance—he who is much forgiven, loves much—it would not have needed the blood of Jesus Christ to cleanse us, nor can angels who do not know what sin is, receive the blessings which God has been graciously pouring out upon us in an overrunning measure. Praise His name!

My parents and relatives naturally broke off relations with me. Only one sister would send me a postal occasionaly on the sly, and if I would receive a letter it was full of fiery darts. However, I did not leave off writing to my parents. For I was taught to honor father and mother, and I knew how they would feel about it, particularly if the news was known to other Jews.

The bliss of our new life did not last very long. My wife soon began to ail, and then to "doctor." Her chief ailment, as we found out later, was spine trouble. She often ha headaches for days, her face turning pal like that of a dead person, veins woul contract and make her hold her head to th side in agony for hours. Drugs, physician massages and electrical treatments brough only temporary relief. Then one of he knees became diseased so that when she wa walking one could hear one bone ru against the other. I had to carry her dow stairs in the morning and up again at nigh She would not wash dishes without pai her back was so weak. She often threatene to kill herself, and at one time while sh was bedfast, I found her kneeling in be reaching out for a pair of scissors to en her agony. An attack came upon her s that she could move neither forth nor back and that, I believe, saved her life. At on time I had to give her tablets every five c ten minutes and another medicine eve fifteen minutes. O friends, if you woul know what God has delivered us from yo could understand why we cannot fin words to express our gratitude to ou Heavenly Father. Concerning her knee, specialist decided that the hospital was th only place for her. After a couple of week in the hospital an X-ray examination wa made, and the decision was that the su cess of an operation was questionable, bu that it might bring relief, and as it was po sibly the only way of full recovery an there was nothing to lose, an operatio should be resorted to if a further treatmen should not show any improvement withi a reasonable time. This was good logic but it did not meet with a woman's reason ing powers. From exposure in a cold roo on the X-ray table my wife had contracte pneumonia. When I came to her with th doctor's proposition she replied: "I am not going to be cut to pieces to let thos people practice on me. I am worse off no than I was when I came here. You eithe take me home right away or I jump out o the window or do myself some other harm. I yielded to the ultimatum. She came hom a few days later with a heavy cast on he limb, more helpless than ever. She wa home about a week when some inward trouble developed and brought her nig unto death. Within another week she wa on the operating table in another hospita This was a Catholic hospital, the St. Ag nes hospital of Philadelphia, and my wif asked the attending sister to pray for her which she did. My wife was herself brought up a Greek Catholic in her youth

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TUDIES IN REVELATION

By J. NARVER GORTNER

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It is important that we see that, while ese saints will be saved through grace, as l saints have been or will be, they will ot be saints of the church age and cannot ossibly be numbered among the saints of e age in which we now live. Note conerning this record of the blood-washed ultitude these seven things:

1.—Of whom the multitude was comosed. "All nations, and kindreds, and eople, and tongues." The sealed ones ere all of Israel, but the multitude "which o man could number" consisted of people f every nation and every race, a Gentile ultitude.

2.—Where they stood and how they ere clothed. They "stood before the hrone, and before the Lamb, clothed with hite robes, and palms in their hands." hey were standing; not sitting, as the lders were; they did not have crowns on heir heads, as the elders had. Their white obes symbolized their righteousness and he palms in their hands the victory they ad achieved over the beast and his image.

3.—Their cry: what it consisted of. They cried with a loud voice, saying, Salvation to our God which sitteth upon the hrone, and unto the Lamb."

4.—The effect their cry had upon the ngels. "And all the angels stood round bout the throne, and about the elders and he four living creatures, and fell before he throne on their faces, and worshiped God, saying, Amen: Blessing, and glory, nd wisdom, and thanksgiving, and onour, and power, and might, be unto our God for ever and ever. Amen." Mark he seven-fold adoration. It would seem hat this part of the record would satisfy very reader that the vision John had of his multitude was a vision of what is to ake place in heaven, but despite what is written here many expositors have taken he position that all this is to take place on he earth. Among these authorities is no less an authority than Walter Scott. My opinion is that these expositors are wrong; he vision is a vision of what will be seen in heaven where the throne of God is, and where the angels are. Have we any evidence that God is going to move His throne, and that the angels are going to move their residence, to the earth, after the tribulation?

5.—The question one of the elders asked John. "What are these which are arrayed in white robes, and whence came they?"

6.—The reply of the seer. "Sir, thou knowest."

7.—The identity of the multitude explained and the happy state of the tribulation saints strikingly set forth. Verses 14-17. "These are they which came out of great tribulation" (Gr. *ek tees thlipseos tees megalees,* literally, out of the tribulation of the great), and have washed their robes," etc. The great tribulation will occupy the last half of Daniel's seventieth week, 3½ years, a period of unprecedented trouble. It seems likely that these tribulation saints will die as martyrs, or will perish in the terrible plagues of the tribulation period, and that they will have part in a second or, possibly, later stage of the first resurrection. There is, perhaps, another reference to this same company, or to at least a part of this company, in chapter 20, verse 4, where we read, "I saw the souls of them that were beheaded for the witness of Jesus, and for the word of God, and which had not worshiped the beast, neither his image, neither had received his mark upon their foreheads, or in their hands; and they lived and reigned with Christ a thousand years." That these are not to live during the thousand years apart from their bodies is evident from the words of the following verse, "This is the first resurrection."

(To be continued)

NEW RADIO PROGRAM

On Saturday, October 19 at 8 p. m. a new radio program was introduced over KRE, Berkeley. This program was sponsored by the East Bay District, and as was announced, will be broadcast each succeeding Saturday at the same time.

It is believed that such a program will prove of great benefit to interested listeners as well as to the assemblies in the bay area which will employ this means of advertising their services, special meetings, rallies, etc.

Tune in—KRE, 1370 kilocycles, Saturday nights, 8 o'clock, for one half hour of gospel music and brief scriptural messages.

CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

The following information will make one realize the great importance of having a church home:

It is a notable fact that all the Full Gospel churches of Denmark were not organized when the Nazis took over that country. All unorganized churches without church membership or denominational affiliation were closed. In Norway all Full Gospel churches were scripturally organized. These were permitted to continue. The United States government is interested in church membership. Do you belong to a church? If not, what is your reason? The Scriptures plainly teach that all Christians should have a membership in some local body of believers.

"WHY DOES GOD ALLOW WAR?"

If God's love and power are unlimited, why does He permit war to ravage the earth and plunge millions of people into an abyss of suffering and woe? In these grim days this question is perplexing many minds.

Whatever else war does, it reveals the awfulness of sin and the desperate depravity of human nature. War destroys the illusions that in times of peace and prosperity lull lost men into a false security. The religious liberalism that flatters human nature and makes light of sin, dies a natural death when war unveils the fierce wickedness of men.

War demonstrates the often unheeded truth that "the wages of sin is death." War proves that men and nations who forget God and disregard His righteous will, must bear the consequences of their sins.

But what of the innocent who share in the sorrows of a stricken nation? Reason has for them a word of comfort; faith, an infinitely greater word. Since no man lives to himself and since each of us enjoys incalculable benefits by sharing in the common heritage of the nation, we cannot reasonably expect or desire exemption from a share in the common burden. But the real comfort of God's children lies in the assurance that His goodness is unimpeachable. "All things work together for good to them that love God."

War may lead lost men to a saving sense of their need of God. In their distresses nations have cried unto God and He has delivered them. It may be that nothing but great tribulation will stab our generation awake and bring a multitude of penitent sinners to the feet of God.

But whether or not we can tell why God allows war, we Christians know that such an hour as confronts us challenges us to pray for a world in distress, to proclaim the gospel with all the earnestness of our souls, and to prove our sincerity with a new consecration and consistency of life.—*Christian Observer.*

The VOICE of the District Superintendent

"Workers together with Him."

Dear Friends in the Bonds of the Gospel:

In 1 Tim. 4: 13 we read, "Till I come, give attendance to reading." In 2 Tim. 4:13 Paul asks a favor of Timothy in these words: "The cloke that I left at Troas with Carpus, when thou comest, bring with thee, and the books, but especially the parchments."

Leland R. Keys

It has been said that "reading maketh a full man." It is the purpose of this brief article to offer some suggestions which we trust will be of value, particularly to our younger ministers, in contributing to an enriched ministry. No attempt is made at exhaustiveness but by following the various fields of reading suggested one may discover for himself a lifetime of profitable study.

It is interesting to note the part that books have played in the lives of some of the greatest characters of the church. John Wesley was profoundly influenced by reading Martin Luther's *Preface to Romans*; it was one of the factors used by God to bring Wesley to his heart-warming experience of conversion. That mighty man of God Robert Murray McCheyne gained inspiration of incalculable value through the repeated perusal of Edward's *Freedom of the Will.* Dr. Samuel Johnson testified that he became a Christian through reading Law's *Serious Call.* Sir W. Robertson Nicoll once said that he had known six men who attributed their choice of the foreign mission field to the reading of the *Life of Henry Martyn.* Gladstone was a tireless student of Bishop Butler.

Every minister ought to have two or three versions of the Bible in addition to the regular King James version. The *American Revised* is, of course, the one in most general use. Where one is not familiar with the original languages these versions assist greatly in a clearer understanding of the Word.

In order that one may understand the meaning of words and customs not now in common usage a Bible Dictionary is essential. Studiously used, a Bible Dictionary will be found to be a gold mine in aiding in the interpretation of the Scriptures. Smith's or Davis' is suggested. A Concordance is indispensable to the student of the Book; one may easily locate a word, a verse, or a line of truth through its use. Cruden's is recommended. Torrey's *Topical Text Book* will be found most helpful as a time saver in endeavoring to follow Biblical truths; hundreds of Scriptural subjects are listed.

In regard to Bible Commentaries we would suggest two; the first is a one-volume edition of Jamieson, Fausset and Brown; the other, Matthew Henry's famous work of seven volumes; very devotional and homiletically rich. Then there are the smaller works dealing with certain sections of the Testaments. Of these we will merely mention *Notes on the Pentateuch* by C. H. M., the *Treasury of David* by Spurgeon on the Psalms, and *Christ and His Bride* by Cora Harris MacIlravy, a full gospel writer, on the Song of Solomon, for the Old Testament. Stalker's *Life of Christ,* the *Life and Epistles of Saint Paul* by Conybeare and Howson, Bishop Moule on the book of Romans and Seiss, Larkin or Ironside on the book of Revelation for New Testament suggestions.

And now we shall take up some of the special fields of reading and study. For Bible doctrine we recommend *Knowing the Scriptures* by Pearlman or *What the Bible Teaches* by Torrey. Evans' *The Great Doctrines of the Bible* is splendid also. In regard to Biblical Introduction, Gaussen's *Origin and Inspiration of the Bible* is highly recommended; also *All About the Bible* by Collett. We shall mention only one book in Homiletics, a comparatively late one, *Expository Preaching* by Harold Knott.

It would seem well for the minister to know something about modern cults in order that he may intelligently refute them when occasion demands. All fundamentalist book stores have books and pamphlets on the separate cults.

If Church history is the subject of one's study we recommend *Outlines of Church History* by Fisher, or *The Growth of the Christian Church* by Nichols; this last is a much smaller book than Fisher's and easier to read. Certain periods in Church history may also be studied with profit such as the Reformation period.

In reference to the work of a pastor commonly known as Pastoral Theology we recommend that lovely devotional work by Jowett, *The Preacher: His Life and Work* or, for a book packed full of wisdom, that practical volume by Byington titled *The Minister's Week-Day Challenge.*

Some books on the subject of Missions ought to be included in the minister's library. We suggest Glover's *Progress of World Wide Missions, Missionary Principles and Practice* by Speer, or the *Handbook of Comparative Religions* by Kellogg.

Teachers and Teaching by Trumbull, *How to Conduct a Sunday School* by Lawrence, or *The Making of a Teacher* by Brumbaugh may be suggested in the sphere of Christian Education. We are not forgetting our own publications on this subject; these are suggestions in addition thereto.

Biography is a field that is rich is suggestiveness; biographies are a never failing source of inspiration. Surely every minister ought to be acquainted with the lives of such men as Luther, Knox, Wesley, Whitfield, Finney, Carey, Judson, Martyn, Hudson Taylor, George Mueller, Augustine, and Moody; such women as Madam Guyon and Francis Ridley Havergal.

As full gospel ministers we ought to include some books on Divine healing in our library as well as some dealing with our teachings on the Holy Spirit; also something along the line of the history of our own movement such as that splendid volume by Stanley Frodsham titled, *With Signs Following.*

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DISTRICT COUNCIL NEWS

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SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

It is the purpose of the District Superintendent to report on his itinerary every three or four months so that our constituency may know something of his work and the conditions which he finds in the field. For the present issue we would give a brief report regarding a recent trip to our home missions stations on the Klamath River.

About the middle of September we left on the train for Dunsmuir where we met Brother Renfroe. From there Brother Renfroe and I proceeded to the churches. A word of appreciation is in order since Brother Renfroe took his car and did most of the driving on this trip.

Our first stop was at Happy Camp where we found Brother and Sister Thomas carrying on in a splendid way in the work of the Lord. The parsonage was in the process of completion and some furnishings were being installed so as to make the house comfortable and livable. The report of the work there was most encouraging. We stopped there just for an hour or two at this time, going on to Cottage Grove and Somes Bar. From all appearances it would seem that these three churches are the outstanding centers of church work in these communities.

After a brief visit with Sister Neasham we returned to Cottage Grove where a meeting was conducted at night. Brother Kasparian has a unique way of letting his people know that a meeting will be held. This was on Monday so no announcement was possible from the pulpit, but we took our cars and went down the road blowing the horn twice in front of each house. This constituted sort of an inland telegraph system, and that night we had a nice gathering of Indians.

While at Cottage Grove we obtained a renewal of the lease for the property for fifty years with some provisions which will make for greater stability of the work.

The following night we went to Happy Camp for the fellowship meeting. We were

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WARNING

Our attention has been called to the fact that someone is going around in our District representing himself to be one of our ministers, with a view of financial remuneration. Whoever this is, is acquainted with our people and uses names familiarly so that our laymen will not be suspicious. We do not endorse such methods of livelihood and one should be careful to whom they give unless proper endorsement can be shown from the District officials or pastor.—*Leland R. Keys, District Superintendent.*

W.M.C. NOTICE

Canned goods and groceries are to be sent direct to the home missionaries and small churches this Christmas by the W.M.C. groups and will not be sent out from the Campground, so we trust the Sectional Chairman of each district is taking care of this. As jarred fruit cannot be conveniently shipped, kindly deliver that to the District Presbyter who can see that it is brought to the Midwinter Convention for distribution there.—*Mrs. L. R. Keys, Director.*

CAMP MORTGAGE FUND

Receipts from September 16 to October 15, 1940, inclusive:

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Constant, Redding	$15.00
E. and R. Bertenshaw, Auburn	5.00
R. W. Mount, Klamath Falls, Ore.	5.00
W. T. Gaston, Sacramento	10.00
Mrs. D. Thollander, Oakland	1.00
J. M. Lucas, Watsonville	1.00
A. F. Gomes, Pittsburg	2.00
D. Q. Boyd, Red Bluff	1.00
L. H. White, Oakland	1.25
J. W. Gunder, Burbank	5.00
C. H. Danielson, Turlock	5.00
A. and E. McBride, Rohnerville	1.00
Ed. Haverland, Middletown	5.00
H. C. Lafferty, Live Oak	10.00
Mrs. Bessie Phay, Morgan Hill	5.00
L. E. Bersinger, Los Gatos	1.00
Wm. H. Elliott, Lower Lake	10.00
Mrs. J. J. Gobeil, Berkeley	5.00
Bethel Temple, Turlock	15.00
Mrs. Roy Carter, Colusa	5.00
Mrs. Moody, Woodland	3.00
	111.25
Previously reported	4,404.87
Total to date	$4,516.12

DEEPER LIFE CONFERENCE

The Glad Tidings Church in Reno, Nevada, was the scene of a two-day Deeper Life Conference, October 8 and 9, in which the blessing and presence of the Lord was manifest in a gracious way. The Conference was all the name implied—a time of deepening of lives in God and in the overflow of His grace. Faithful ministers and workers from Nevada and various parts of Northern California gathered for the purpose of receiving new spiritual enrichment and impetus. None left disappointed but hungry hearts drank deeply from never-failing springs and were satisfied.

The messages as brought by the various ministers were unquestionably God-inspired, each seeming to complement the other perfectly in presenting the Word. The speakers were District Superintendent Leland R. Keys, R. J. Thurmond, secretary-treasurer; Pastor E. O. Robeck of Stockton, Pastor Walter H. Smith of Richmond, and Hazel MacLeod of St. Helena. The Wednesday evening service was in the form of a Christ's Ambassador sectional rally with Harold Lehmann, C.A. president, as the speaker.

Pastor S. H. Robertson and his faithful people provided accommodations for the visiting workers and in every way proved themselves to be gracious hosts.

It is anticipated that such Conferences will be held in other sections of the District during the forthcoming months, which will doubtless result in a general spiritual awakening to the deeper things of God among our fellowship.

DISTRICT CHANGES

TRANSFERS OUT:

C. W. Hirschey, Monterey (Licensed) to Rocky Mountain District.

Wm. D. Swanson, San Francisco (Ordained) to Illinois District.

TRANSFERS IN:

Willard C. Peirce, Santa Clara (Ordained) from Potomac District.

Christine Peirce, Santa Clara (Ordained) from Potomac District.

News FROM HERE AND THERE

By ALBERT J. LEBECK, Field Reporter :-: 2622 W Street :-: Sacramento, California

ALAMO—Pastor W. A. Frazier sends an encouraging report of the increase in the Sunday School attendance to 86. Recently ten new members were received into the church fellowship.

AUBURN—Brother Paul Pipkin was the speaker at a C.A. rally held September 23.

BERKELEY—Evangelist Oliver L. Foth will hold a campaign with Sister Eleanor M. Johnson, pastor, sometime in November.

BURLINGAME—The Assembly which was opened six months ago by Brother and Sister Ray Davis is progressing nicely. The Sunday School has reached a high mark of 47. In September Read Stearman, principal of the Berean Bible School in San Diego, held a week's campaign. The church was encouraged and strengthened under his ministry. They now have the auditorium outfitted with good chairs and other improvements have been made around the building.

CHICO—The North Sacramento District C.A. rally was held with Pastor Paul E. Radley on October 14. Evangelist Ben Moore was the speaker.

CLOVERDALE—Sister Alta M. Fenton, formerly of Daly City, is the new pastor.

COTTAGE GROVE—Pastor George Kasparian writes: "Our son, George, fell down a week ago and broke his left arm above the wrist. Kindly pray for him and us, too." Brother Kasparian reports 32 in Sunday School, and with the attendance at the regular church services increasing gradually.

DALY CITY—Sister Annabel Keys is temporarily acting as pastor, as Alta M. Fenton resigned the pastorate to go to Cloverdale.

ESCALON — A special "Home-Coming Day" was held October 20 with good attendance. Brother P. C. Tacker of Santa Cruz was the morning speaker, and Brother E. M. Johnson of San Francisco brought the evening message. C. Ely Persing is the pastor.

EUREKA—A splendid Redwood District fellowship meeting was held September 30 with about 450 people present. Brother R. J. Thurmond was the afternoon speaker, and Leland R. Keys brought the evening message. An election of C.A. officers was held on this date also with Luther Thomas of Eureka being reelected as chairman, Lee Lawson of Trinidad, vice-chairman, and W. Young of Eureka as secretary-treasurer.

FORTUNA—Pastor Carl R. Tucker reports that they enjoyed the presence of the Lord in a recent short campaign, resulting in the community being stirred for God.

GRIDLEY—Pastor Harold E. Rhodes reports a good campaign with Brother and Sister H. L. Marlenee of Iowa. The Sunday School is running well over 60, and there has been a good increase in the children's services conducted on Saturdays.

LINCOLN—Maurice H. Luce resigned as pastor in October, and he and Sister Luce will go to Auburn the first part of November to accept the pastorate there.

Evangelist Bernice Mast began special meetings on October 20.

LIVERMORE—Evangelist Harry A. Jaeger held a three weeks' campaign for Pastor Carl T. Carlin in October. Brother Carlin reports that the Sunday School has been averaging 40 and that the regular services have been well attended.

MARTINEZ—Pastor A. B. Gee reports 79 in Sunday School recently.

MODESTO—Evangelist Louis H. Batchelor concluded a campaign for Pastor D. G. Weston on October 20.

Evangelist Vernon Murray of Texas supplied the pulpit during the absence of Pastor and Mrs. H. T. Langley of the Modesto Pentecostal Tabernacle while they were on a vacation. Brother and Sister Langley and family motored through eleven states, and Brother Langley had the privilege of speaking in several churches. He reports that there has been a continuous revival spirit in their midst with several souls having been saved since their return.

MONTEREY—Evangelist June S. Garrard preached for Wheeler Anderson, the new pastor, on September 5 and reports good progress being made for the Lord.

MORGAN HILL—Brother Harold Gustafson resigned as pastor October 20. District Superintendent L. R. Keys was the speaker at the morning service and Brother Gustafson spoke at the farewell service in the evening.

SCHEDULE FELLOWSHIP MEETINGS

Nov. 4—Susanville, Lower Lake, Oakland (Temple Church), Stockton.
11—Colfax, San Jose (Portuguese).
18—Merced, Cloverdale.
19—Tulelake.
25—Redding, Fortuna, Watsonville (Pajaro).

Christ's Ambassadors Conference, Bethel Temple, Turlock, November 9, 10, 11.

NEVADA CITY — There has been a marked increase in the Sunday School attendance, is the report of Pastor Robert Carrington. The building is well filled each Sunday evening. Plans are being drawn up for a new building. A splendid location has already been chosen and it is anticipated that it will not be long before the building will be under way.

OAKDALE—Sisters Marjorie Maddock and Betty Everton report that the Sunday School section in the building has been repainted recently, and that the interior of the church is to be refinished soon.

OAKLAND—On October 13 Evangelist and Mrs. Levi Larson of the Northwest District concluded a three weeks' revival campaign. There were souls at the altar for salvation, reports Pastor E. Wm. Anderson, and the messages were deep, rich and spiritual. Many strangers visited the services and were interested.

PETALUMA—The North Bay district fellowship meeting was held October 21 with Pastor T. B. Don Carlos. The afternoon speaker was Leland R. Keys, and Brother T. J. Jones of G.T.B.I. brought the evening message.

REDDING—Evangelist Ben Moore began a campaign with Pastor Robert Doherty on October 13.

RENO, NEVADA—Evangelist Mary Alice Bridges concluded a three weeks' campaign with Pastor S. H. Robertson on October 6. The Nevada District fellowship meeting was held at Reno on October 7 with Pastor C. Ely Persing of Escalon as the afternon speaker and Sister Bridges speaking in the evening. A two-day Deeper Life Conference was held October 8 and 9.

ROSEVILLE—Evangelist Paul Pipkin concluded a four weeks' campaign with Pastor A. A. Lowe on October 20. The revival was marked by a special manifestation of God's power in saving hungry souls.

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RICHMOND—Velma Nichelson, secretary of the C.A.'s, writes: "We are so happy to report that the Lord is wonderfully blessing us here. We can report souls saved and healings. One lady was in the meeting with a broken arm, which for four weeks had not healed. She was instantly healed. We are looking for a revival in Richmond." Brother Walter H. Smith is the pastor.

SACRAMENTO—Bethel Temple was the host of the South Sacramento Valley fellowship meeting on October 14. Brother T. J. Jones of England and now the Dean of Glad Tidings Bible Institute, spoke in the morning and in the afternoon. Evangelist C. E. Roberts, a former Nazarene minister who opened a campaign with Pastor W. T. Gaston October 13, was the evening speaker. There were between 35 and 40 ministers present.

Jess Gunder conducted an eight weeks' revival with Pastor Leslie Crosson at the Sixth Street Mission.

Brother and Sister Robert Perryman are the pastors of the new Full Gospel Tabernacle at 17th Avenue and Sacramento Blvd.

SALYER—Pastor Wesley E. Bliss writes: "We are truly praising God for His goodness to us and for the way He is moving here. There have been several to the altar for salvation. New people are coming in. There were 33 out to Sunday School recently. One young man who was saved and baptized with the Spirit last winter has gone to G.T.B.I."

SAN FRANCISCO—Evangelist Arne Vick concluded a campaign at Glad Tidings Temple on October 20.

SANTA ROSA—Pastor M. P. Bohnet announces the dedication of their new church building on Tuesday, November 19. Brother R. J. Thurmond, secretary-treasurer, will be the afternoon speaker, and in the evening District Superintendent Leland R. Keys will bring the message. The church is located at Davis and Earl Streets.

SEBASTOPOL—Brother and Sister Wesley Griggs are supplying the pulpit since the illness of Sister Viola Griggs, pastor.

SOLEDAD—Brother Gordon Shannon has resigned as pastor.

STOCKTON — Evangelist Mary Alice Bridges began a campaign with Pastor E. O. Robeck on October 13.

TRACY—Mrs. Ruth Lee, church secretary, reports a good revival meeting with Evangelist Lillian C. Powell. The people were greatly encouraged, and more outsiders were in attendance than have been noted for some time.

TRANQUILITY—Brother Harry Oeth reports a building program under way. Also he reports that God has been blessing in the meetings and that souls are being saved and filled with the Holy Spirit. Eight were recently baptized in water. The Sunday School attendance has been around 68.

TURLOCK—Pastor and Mrs. H. E. Alford report a blessed revival conducted recently by Evangelist and Mrs. C. E. Roberts in which the Spirit of God moved in a very definite way, saving souls, healing, and baptizing believers.

Evangelist George Hayes begins a campaign in Turlock following the C.A. Convention, and will be the evening speaker Monday, November 11.

UKIAH—The rich blessings of the Lord were upon the Lake and Mendocino Counties fellowship meeting held October 7 with Pastor Robert Ray. Pastor George Wood of Covelo was the afternoon speaker and Evangelist Betty Stubbs brought the evening message. A stirring C.A. rally preceded the evening service with Pastor Robert Cull of Trinidad speaking to the young people.

Pastor Ray reports a real forward move on the building program; also the blessing of the Lord in the services. Recently a backslider returned to the Lord and interest is increasing, especially in the Sunday night services. Pastor Robert Cull was the speaker Sunday, October 6.

VALLEJO—Brothers Thomas Jackson and Edwin J. Holmes who are temporarily pastoring the assembly, report a marked increase in attendance with some being saved.

WESTWOOD—Brother Earl Larson, pastor, reports the blessing of the Lord in their midst. The attendance in the Sunday School and in the regular services is increasing. Several have been saved and a spirit of revival prevails.

WHEATLAND—A dedication service is planned the later part of November for the new church which has recently been acquired. Evangelist Ben Moore concluded a revival meeting on October 11. Sister Lydia Pearsall is the new pastor, with Bessie Evans as her co-worker.

WE ARE DOING OUR PART!

The following churches in our District are cooperating with us in reaching our GLAD TIDINGS subscription goal of 5,000 by taking a roll of 20 or more each month:

Glad Tidings Temple, San Francisco	100
First Pentecostal Church, Oakland	50
Bethel Temple, Sacramento	50
Tenth Street Mission, Oakland	50
Pentecostal Tabernacle, Madera	40
Calvary Tabernacle, Stockton	30
Full Gospel Assembly, Richmond	30
Upper Room Mission, San Jose	25
Pentecostal Tabernacle, Eureka	25
Glad Tidings Church, Reno	25
Glad Tidings Church, Alameda	20
Glad Tidings Temple, Lodi	20
Full Gospel Assembly, Westwood	20
Pentecostal Church, Merced	20
Bethel Tabernacle, Oakland	20

We appreciate the splendid and faithful cooperation of these assemblies, and believe that others will increase the number of copies each month. There are yet 39 churches of our fellowship which are not taking any rolls at all, and we trust that these, too, will work together to reach the necessary goal to make our District organ self-supporting.

Evangelist John Scaggs, former pastor at Fairfield, writes from Bismarck, N. D., that he is busily engaged in revival meetings in that section.

Evangelist F. E. Dagle has been quite ill in Galveston, Texas.

Christ's Ambassadors Conference

NOVEMBER 9, 10, 11

Bethel Temple, Third and A Streets — **Modesto, Calif.**

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

SATURDAY, 7:30 p.m.—Opening Rally (Bethel Temple)
Oliver L. Foth, Vice-President, speaker

SUNDAY, 9:45 a.m.—Sunday School
Primary through Junior High School age at Bethel Temple
High School age and adult classes at High School Auditorium

10:45 a.m.—Convention Picture

11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship (High School Auditorium)
Leland R. Keys, speaker

2:30 p.m.—Afternoon service (H. S. Auditorium)
Hazel MacLeod, speaker

6:00 p.m.—Exchange Service

7:00 p.m.—Evangelistic service (H. S. Auditorium)
Harold S. Lehmann, speaker

MONDAY, 9:00 a.m.—Devotional (Bethel Temple)
H. E. Alford in charge

10:00 a.m.—Paul Pipkin, speaker

2:30 p.m.—E. Wm. Anderson, Secretary-Treasurer, speaker

7:30 p.m.—Evangelistic Service—Opening Revival Campaign
George Hayes, speaker

OUR CORNER

DEAR BOYS AND GIRLS . . .

November is Thanksgiving month, you will remember, but of course we are thankful every day for so many wonderful things that our Heavenly Father pours out upon us all year 'round that Thanksgiving Day is only a grand celebration of many days of thankfulness.

I was just wondering what we have this year to especially be thankful for, that is, more than anything else. It didn't take me long to decide and I think you will agree with me. Thankful that you boys and girls are Americans—Christian Americans! (I don't believe we can be real Americans without being Christians because God had so much to do with the founding of this great country.)

It is wonderful to be here where there are no bombs bursting over our heads, machine gun raids, wounded and bleeding loved ones laying about us. Pain and suffering. Trouble and heartache. War is so terrible! Then, in so many of those countries boys and girls are never permitted to go to church or Sunday School and are taught there is no God. Children are taken from their mothers and fathers and they never see them again. Yes, I'm glad and thankful that we are Americans!

As long as we are talking along this line, I am wondering, too, what the boys and girls of America would do if someone would come and take away their Bibles, burn the churches, and try to teach them there wasn't any God. I wonder—.

Listen, boys and girls, while we still have our wonderful America and freedom to learn about our Lord Jesus and to worship Him, let's make every minute count for God. Let's pray until we are strong in the Lord. Let's get the Word of God in our hearts and put on the whole armor of God so that we will be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. Then if anything happens to America we will be ready to stand firm for our King Jesus. You can read all about the Christian's armor in Ephesians 6.

Praying for you,

YOUR SISTER MAST.

SOMETHING TO DO

This month we are going to play church. You can use a table for the pulpit and be sure your Bible is handy. Ours is to be the most peculiar service, one that is different from any other that you have ever attended.

No, you are not to be the preacher this time. We are going to have a number of preachers, rather peculiar ones, but I believe you can get them to help you if you try. Here are their names (I suggest that you line them up on your pulpit or beside it): "Rev. Pete Potato," "Alec Alarm Clock," "Rev. Chester Chair," "Lulu Lettuce Head," "Nellie Needle," and "Rev. Samuel Shoe."

Now call your congregation in—your brothers and sisters and friends. Seat yourselves in front of the preachers with your Bibles and pencil and paper. You will not be able to hear these sermons but you will see them instead.

Let me give you one message for example, and then I am sure you will be able to get the rest. We will take Lulu Lettuce Head first. You will notice that Lulu has two things which we have—a head and a heart. Therefore we have a head and a heart to be thankful for and to really use for God's glory. Now see if you can find some scripture verses to go with the message, one on the heart and one on the mind or thoughts, etc.

Now, this is what I want you to do. After you have gotten a message from each of these peculiar preachers and have found verses of scripture to go with them all, write it out neatly and send it to me. To the writers of the five best papers I will send a Thanksgiving souvenir. These must be in by December 12.

EVANGELIST BERNICE MAST.

TWO FRIENDS

"In-a-minute" is a bad friend. He makes you put off what you ought to do at once, and so he gets you into a great deal of trouble. "Right-away" is a good friend. He helps you to do pleasantly and quickly what you are asked to do, and he never gets you into trouble. Which is your friend?

SUNDAY SCHOOL

MRS. BERNICE MAST, District S. S. Representative
Morgan Hill, California

A GRAND IDEA

A Departmental Superintendent contributes the following idea for the consideration of our Sunday School workers:

"A feeling of the lack of cooperation between our Sunday School teachers and the parents of the boys and girls and also an apparent lack of interest on the part of the parents in the work the boys and girls have been doing in their classes, has caused us to seek a solution to our problem. This is what we decided to do: The teacher of the class and the Departmental Superintendent calls at the home of each pupil, taking with her a copy of the child's lesson quarterly and outline of scripture memory work. To the parents of each child in the class, the lessons and handwork and memory verses are all thoroughly explained. The aim and interest of the teacher is laid out before the parent in such a way as to interest them in the same. A special endeavor to get the parents to work with the teacher in her efforts to get God's Word into each young heart is our aim. We feel that as soon as the parents see and realize the interest and burden of the teacher they will be only too glad to encourage and help their children to do their Sunday School homework. And who knows but that this may be the means of reaching some uninterested parent as well."

Send us your ideas and let it be a blessing to someone else.

THANK YOU

For the response on the part of a few who have sent in an account of their summer Daily Vacation Bible School as I requested in the last two issues of GLAD TIDINGS. Surely there were more schools that would like to go on record as having labored along this line. Please drop me a card as soon as possible giving this information.

Contentment and contemplation are closely related. Think far enough and you will cease to fret.

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Concerning the rich man's prayer to Abraham across the gulf, remember that this is the only prayer in the Bible to a saint and it wasn't answered.

CHRIST'S AMBASSADORS AT THE WORLD'S ROUND TABLE

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LIFE'S FOUNDATION

By A. L. CALAME

During the past few months we have heard and read of so many terrible things happening in the European countries and elsewhere, that many have been tempted to wonder what sort of being man actually is.

A machinist said the other day as we gazed on a "Stop Hitler" placard in his shop: "I'd do anything to stop that fellow. You wouldn't think a human being could be responsible for such chaos." Later he remarked, "To think that God permits such things to go on—one man planning the killing of men and innocent women and children!" He was bitter and greatly wrought up. We reminded him that God had not intended man to commit such crimes, for in the beginning "God saw everything He had made, and behold it was *very good*" (Gen. 1:31). We were led to tell him about a spiritual foundation that could not be bombed nor destroyed by earthly powers.

In this time of world-wide chaos, how we do rejoice that we have One with us who keeps our soul. Today the man without Christ is at a disadvantage for he lacks the privilege of a Christian, that of going to Christ with his perplexities and troubles.

The Christian is like the man in Luke 6:46-49 who built his house upon the Rock (Christ Jesus). When the flood arose, or wars came—when bitter persecution threatened to overwhelm him, he was not troubled. Though faced with the loss of earthly possessions, and his very life endangered, still his house stood for it was built upon the Rock. His hope was in things eternal, things in heaven "where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt."

The Christian realizes that his life in this world is merely a temporary existence, that there is more for him than just this life—that there is a heaven to gain and a hell to shun. For this reason he is careful about his foundation. He digs deep, below the shifting sand and the muck and mire. He counts as shifting sand the bright lights that Satan so cunningly places before young and old today. He digs down and down, below the fast-whirling and enchanting amusements that separate so many from the Lord by crowding out the precious moments that could be devoted to Him. Even the continual crush of "much business" he regards as leading to insecurity; so he digs down and down, until his house, his spiritual life, is builded into the very life of Christ. He has built on the Rock! No wonder the storms beat in vain. No wonder his house remains secure. His foundation is real and it is inaccessible to the attacks of the enemy.

But the other man—poor fellow!—had not bothered to go down below temporary things. He had been content to build upon them without seeking the Rock. So when the winds of adversity came, all was washed from beneath him.

We have had some experience lately in "getting to the bottom of things." In helping a neighbor put up a small shop, we started clearing the ground. It looked quite soft. Mud, mud, mud, everywhere! Nothing solid! But when we began to dig down a bit we found that the mud was shallow and that there was rock beneath, solid enough for a foundation.

To the man or woman who is seeking a foundation in this time of grave uncertainties, may we suggest that they dig down a bit. Down through the sham of life to the Rock wherein is safety evermore! Then life really begins anew, and one feels the confidence that Christ alone can give. Such confidence stays the soul and encourages heart and will as one tarries yet a while longer in this temporal dwelling—for His sake.

And after all, why shouldn't we have confidence in the One whose "voice then shook the earth"? (Heb. 12:26 compared with Ex. 19:18, 19.) The whole of Sinai quaked before His presence. Let us have confidence in the One who is able to shake nation after nation, as He is doing now, in reshaping the governments of earth preparatory to revealing Himself to His chosen ones in a great way—and then to the entire world. Why shouldn't we have sufficient confidence to build our lives on Him before whom every knee shall bow! What a foundation!

Hebrews 13:8 tells us that Jesus Christ is "the same yesterday, and today, and forever." Glory to His Name! He changes never! In Him is our hope in the present day when kings and thrones are tottering, falling, and are swept away over night.

A young woman was present in one of our services a few nights ago. She was leaving next day to go farther north where a job was awaiting her and where she would attend high school during the winter. Just a young woman alone and in Alaska for the first time. She was happy and carefree, not having met the more bitter gales that blow along life's way. Thinking of all this, we tried to impress upon the folk that night the necessity of maintaining a *sure foundation* regardless of our business, our profession, or ambition in life. No matter to what heights we climb in this world, if we do so in our own strength it is fatal. But how beautiful,

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ALASKAN MISSIONARIES

Artaban and Cora Calame are young people whose homes and early ministries were located in Northern California. After some years as home missionaries at Somes Bar on the Klamath River, they dedicated their next service to the work of the gospel in Alaska. This had for years been the hope and plan of Artaban. At the present they, with little Roberta, are located at Wrangell, Alaska.

It has been the blessed privilege of the Christ's Ambassadors of this District to partially support these two young people in their field. Word has just been received that through arrangements at Headquarters in Springfield, Mo., it has been necessary for the Calames to transfer their membership to the Northwest District Council, the nearest home district to our Alaska field. It is hoped that though supporters of their work hear of this transfer, they shall not withdraw the support. We still regard Calames as "our" young people.—H.S.L.

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THE NEW TERM

The twenty-second year of school is now in progress at the Glad Tidings Bible Institute. The Lord has gathered together a splendid group of young folks from various parts of the United States to study His Word and to equip themselves for better service for Him.

The student chapel services have been most blessed times with the Lord. This service, which is held every morning with the students having complete charge, gives them an opportunity for practical experience in conducting a service, as well as being a time of refreshing in the presence of the Lord. One day a week is reserved for faculty or guest speakers.

The students again find themselves busily engaged in their practical work assignments, and in addition to this, student groups are sent to minister in near-by assemblies whenever an invitation is received.

The enrollment has increased considerably this year. The student body now totals a hundred in number, and more students are expected. We are happy to announce that we have several students enrolled from Hawaii. The Lord is moving in a wonderful way in these far-off islands, and we rejoice to see young people answering God's call to service among the Hawaiian people.

A pleasant surprise awaited the returning seniors in the redecoration of the Glad Tidings Temple Auditorium. The interior has been beautifully refinished. It has all been freshly painted and new drapes have been hung on the platform and in the choir loft.

The following officers have been elected by the senior class: Robert Thomas, president; Mayverine Baker, vice-president; and Viva Rae Stearns, secretary-treasurer.

An invitation is extended to the many friends of the Institute to visit the school at any time. Also, prospective students are invited to write for a free catalog which will give complete information about the school.—R.T.

CHAPEL

We want to thank God for the blessings of our chapel services. It is there that the Juniors and Seniors meet as a body every morning to hear matters of general interest, sing and pray, and hear a sermon. Tuesday mornings are reserved for the exhortations of our faculty, and Wednesday through Saturday the students have a turn about except when a preacher visits.

Of such visiting preachers we have had three who stand out in our memory. Brother Vogler, Assistant General Superintendent of the Assemblies of God, from Springfield, was able to be present on Friday, September 27, together with Brother Hodges, missionary to Nicaragua. Brother Vogler gave an inspiring address on missions speaking of Peru and the workers there, some of them from Glad Tidings, and the things that are being accomplished, after which Brother Hodges sang a touching song in the native Peruvian tongue, and an English version of his own composition. The blessing of God was felt in many hearts.

But, as if that were not enough for one day, at 11:30 that same morning Brother Stanley Frodsham, editor of the Pentecostal Evangel, came giving us an address of encouragement and admonition showing the value and necessity in a Christian's life of being thankful, prayerful, faithful, and full of praise. We surely appreciate having had these men with us.—H.M.

MY IMPRESSIONS

I am one who has looked forward to this term of school with longing. I have felt this way only because I knew going to Glad Tidings to be the will of God. Surely I had no other foundation for desiring to come here.

God knows what things I need for the development of my life in His hand; He knows the best way and the best place for me to obtain those things, and He has led me whithersoever He would, though often I have not been able to see His purpose or design from time to time.

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ALUMNI

Esther Crews '31 writes from Matagalpa, Nicaragua, where she is assisting in a Bible School:

"I have just returned from Esteli where we had a blessed fellowship meeting. It looked as though the hard rains would hinder us from going, and in spite of my concern about swollen rivers and deep mud we started out, looking to the Lord for protection. We arrived at our first stop on dry ground and in the boiling hot sun. Three souls were saved in the fellowship meeting, among them a maker of images who has heard the gospel for many years and who now wants to have the image of Christ formed within him."

Brother Herbert Johnson '40, in a recent tour with the Golden Gate Quartet traveling in the interest of G.T.B.I., held successful meetings in various assemblies, many of which were pastored by members of the Alumni. Among those he visited were the following: Watsonville where Harold Byram '25 is pastor; Soledad with Gordon Shannon '26; San Pedro, Pastor Warren Hill '36; Escalon, Pastor Ely Persing '29; Modesto, Pastor Donald G. Weston '27; Morgan Hill, Pastor Harold Gustafson '29. At the meeting in Chico with Paul Radley '26, one soul received a refilling of the Holy Spirit. Another good meeting was held with Edward Gomes '26 at Susanville.

Brother Johnson also visited churches in Oregon where our graduates are laboring: Roseburg with Harold Persing '23; Stayton with Sister Moland '35 and Sister Gaines '34; and Turner where Heath Lowry '39 is laboring. In Idaho the Quartet visited with Homer Doyle '30 of Boise, Dwight Ritchie '36 at Idaho Falls, and Oscar Arnesen '24 at Firth. In connection with Brother Arnesen's work Brother Johnson says, "The town is small but the church is large." He also visited with two of his own classmates, Brothers James Duguid and Warren Pine of Salida, Calif., where they are holding a tent meeting.

Harry Jaeger '37 was a visitor at G.T.B.I. recently and reported that he had held successful campaigns in various churches in Texas. At Hilsboro, Texas, he conducted a union revival which was attended by people of various denominations, many seeking the baptism of the Holy Spirit. Brother Jaeger is now holding a campaign at Livermore, Calif., where Carl Carlin '37 is pastor.

PERSONAL MENTION

Brother and Sister Clyde Billings, former pastors at Westwood, are now in revival meetings in Texas.

Brother L. H. (Jack) White who resigned from Bethel Temple, Oakland, on September 29, has been holding a meeting in Wasco.

Evangelist C. O. Woods is conducting a campaign in Grants Pass, Oregon, with Pastor Leon Hall.

Brother W. T. Scott of Live Oak has been elected as the new C.A. Sectional Chairman of the North Sacramento District.

Evangelist E. C. Lagmay, president of the Filipino Assemblies of God, reports that he is still busily engaged in meetings in the Middle West. In the two weeks' revival in Ness City, Kansas, God saved five and filled two believers in the Holy Spirit. He has also had the privilege of speaking in two large high schools in that county and praises the Lord for the opportunity to speak to the young people about Christ.

Evangelist John Nicolich is back in California but expects to return to Puerto Rico as soon as the Lord opens the way again. He is praying for 10,000 New Testaments in Spanish to take back with him. Brother Nicolich is also doing a remarkable work in various hospitals.

Brother Robert Shaffer, secretary of the Canyonville (Oregon) Bible Academy writes: "We are happy to report a good attendance of fine Christian young people from many parts of the west. We again have a splendid faculty of consecrated, college graduate high school teachers. We are beginning construction on a new tennis-volley ball court, and other projects are being planned for a progressive and interesting school season." C.B.A. is a Christian high school where young people can safely build a strong, Christian foundation. Further information may be obtained by writing to C.B.A., Canyonville, Oregon.

Rev. Clifford Andrews, pastor at Bellflower, Calif., reports: "Evangelist Roxie Alford has been with us for the past week and a half in revival services. God has surely blessed in these meetings. I shall never forget last Monday evening's service. A wonderful sense of God's presence pervaded the atmosphere. Sister Alford had just finished her message and said, 'God is here. You can have anything you want if you'll meet conditions and ask Him.' People arose and came to the front. And they kept coming. The power fell—at the altar, on the platform, down the aisles lay the slain of the Lord. An unsaved man sitting in the last row, was convicted of sin and began to shake under the power of God and was gloriously saved. He received the baptism of the Holy Ghost a little later. The Lord has been in our midst each night to save people and fill them with His Spirit." Sister Alford, who with her husband are pastors at Turlock, will begin a meeting in Long Beach the first of November with Sister Emma Taylor.

Brother Reinhold Henke held a short meeting at Lindsay for Pastor Furman.

MISSIONS

Brother and Sister Bernard Johnson of San Francisco expect to sail for Brazil on November 23. They had previously anticipated leaving a week earlier.

Sister Inez Kreiss writes from India that the school has been opened again and that work has been resumed after the holidays. Despite the hot weather the workers are faithful in declaring the power of the gospel and in distributing New Testaments. She writes: "World conditions are making people think. Today we came in contact with five new women who had never heard about Jesus. This type of working, teaching them to sing songs, learn Bible verses and look to the Lamb of God, cannot be valued in figures. Sometimes we are greatly surprised at what they have learned and other times we would despair of our work if we did not know that His Word shall not return unto Him void."

By the time this issue of GLAD TIDINGS is off the press Sister Bernice Strickland will have returned to the field of her labors, Hawaii, accompanied by Sister Jane M. Horino who will be assisting her there. Two of the workers are in Glad Tidings Bible School, Brother Edward and Sister Fong Kee, and so the additional help as provided by Sister Horino will be greatly appreciated. Sister Clio Strickland and her mother have been carrying on with the work during the absence of Sister Bernice Strickland.

C. A. CONFERENCE

"I heard a preacher say, '*You* may be the key to revival in your community,' and since then my life has been different."

These were the words of a young man spoken to his pastor. How wonderful it would be if everyone coming to the Youth Conference would come with that sense of responsibility! There would be no end to the blessing poured out upon us.

Many are earnestly praying that this will be the most spiritual conference ever held in our District. Let us come with faith in our hearts. Let us devote ourselves to earnest seeking after things of God. Let us bring the sick to be healed. Let us bring the spiritually hungry to be filled. Let us bring our hearts to the fountains of renewing. Let us watch and work and pray.

The program appears in another portion of this paper—this is an appeal to expectancy and service. This meeting is advertised as a Christ's Ambassador Conference. In every sense it could be a "Deeper Life Conference," too—if we would make it such—H.S.L.

WOMEN'S MISSIONARY COUNCIL REPORT

Some interesting reports have been sent in this month from the W.M.C. groups.

From the Assembly of God Tabernacle, Modesto, Pastor H. T. Langley sends the word that an average attendance of seventeen women have met every Thursday at 9 a. m. and work as late as 5 p. m. During the year through their labor and splendid cooperation of those who have contributed food, clothing, and money, 2,856 garments, 84 pairs of shoes, 39 quilts, 15 baby layettes consisting of 317 garments, 52 comforters and quilts, 2 mattresses, 40 dozen eggs, 633 pounds and 310 cans of food, have been given to families who were destitute. Also $149.49 has been given into their treasury and spent for necessary supplies. Brother Langley also says, "As we could not meet all of the needs last year, we are expecting to work harder this year and do more for the needy. Pray for us that we may prove a blessing and that our work will bring in souls for His kingdom."

Mrs. Vernon Klemin, Sectional Chairman, writes: "I made an appeal for Sister Strickland of the Hawaiian Islands to the churches in our district, and the response was wonderful. Everything is going fine and we are praying for a revival."

The South Sacramento sub-district, under the leadership of Mrs. Lloyd Persing, has been busy. They write: "On Thursday, October 3, the W.M.C. of this section met at Yuba City for an all-day meeting. The morning was devoted to a devotional service with an hour and a half off for a pot-luck lunch and a wonderful time of fellowship. When roll was called in the afternoon we found the following groups represented: Willows, Colusa, Woodland, Roseville, Lincoln, Wheatland, and Yuba City. An offering of $6 was taken to buy a tire for a needy worker, and a nice box of things were brought to send to Sister Jane Horino who is soon to sail to the Hawaiian Islands. Also some personal needs of a home missionary family were presented and many of the articles were supplied. Arrangements were also made for sending out Christmas boxes, and we are gathering food, canned goods, and groceries, at the fellowship meetings."

VOICE

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It is well, also, to do some reading in regard to methods of conducting Daily Vacation Bible Schools, and children's work in general. Other topics of interest to the preacher will include some volumes on revivals, typology, and prophecy. There are many helpful books on prayer which also must find a place on our shelves.

Before closing let me recommend that those who have not had the advantage of Bible school training make use of the reading course suggested by our General Council headquarters. The course covers three years and the books suggested are those which will be found of great practical use to every preacher. This list is printed in our District Minutes and books can be obtained from our book department in St. Helena.

It isn't what we know, but what we do that counts. We know we ought to read and study in order that the Holy Spirit may have that which He can use in our ministry; He will use what we give Him. Let us then begin today. Remember the slogan "fifteen minutes a day"? An hour or two a day of consistent study will do wonders for our ministry. And above all, let us study the Word itself for it is the most important book in the world.

MY IMPRESSION

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Last year the way was made open for me to attend the Church of God Bible Training School in Sevierville, Tennessee. But God saw fit to call me to Glad Tidings Bible Institute this year though I had scarcely heard of it, and He took His own means to acquaint me with it. He brought me here on my trip home, so that I spent a day or so at the school, by a series of coincidences so remarkable that I can only stand in awe as I think of them and say, "God was with me in California."

I trusted God though the way was not at the first clear. And I can say wholeheartedly that the God of my confidence has stood by me in every detail for my good. I looked for spirituality, and the spirituality is maintained at a warm high level. I looked for a high standard of teaching, and I am persuaded that the quality of the faculty could hardly be improved. I desired a better opportunity for practical work, and here a good program is carried on. And lastly, I knew that I should not be able to go through school free of debt except the Lord provide a job of some kind; and praise the Lord! just yesterday I started on a job which probably will provide all the funds I need in about two months. For all these things I praise God and trust that I may continuously be within His will.—*Horace McCracken.*

SUPERINTENDENT

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blessed by the clear-cut testimony of some of the Indians who have been gloriously saved. There is no question about the reality of their experience.

The next trip was to the assembly at Tulelake where Brother Bennett was conducting a meeting for Pastor Ross. This is not an affiliated church but we were warmly received and appreciated the opportunity of the fellowship.

From there we went to Alturas. (Tulelake and Alturas are not mission stations but they were on the way so we took them in.) Brother Oliver is working hard, hoping to get a better location for the church. We admired the intensity of his spirit. Surely he has the work very much at heart. From there we visited the church at Lookout. Brother Breckenridge will be leaving shortly but doubtless God has another for this lighthouse of the gospel.

Our next stop was at Burney where Brother Brown has recently completed a very lovely church in the residential section of the town just off the main highway. This new building, which we dedicated, is finished with knotty pine inside and with a green fire-proof covering on the outside. The church is built in a grove of pine and fir trees and is beautiful for situation. This is a self-supporting work. The building is paid for. Quite a number of our ministering brethren were present and it was good to see them and enjoy their fellowship.

After the services Brother Renfroe took me to Redding where I caught the train for San Francisco. I came back feeling that the money which we have spent and are spending in our home missions churches is well worth while; and it is my conviction if a vote were taken of the people in these various communities, it would be overwhelmingly in favor of our efforts in these fields.

About the end of September Brother Thurmond and I were privileged to attend the fellowship meeting at Eureka, and while in that part of the state Brother Cull of Trinidad and Brother Frey, the pastor at Eureka, joined us in making a trip to a number of our churches. We visited Rohnerville, of which Brother and Sister McBride are the pastors. From there we went to Salyer where Brother and Sister Bliss have been supplying for a time. The Salyer church is one of the finest buildings we have seen in that part of the country. We also visited the Fruitland church and conferred with some of the officers of the church in regard to their future. We also stopped at Weott.

On this trip we drove to Hoopa and Weitchepec and had the opportunity of visiting Blue Lake where Sisters Carolyn Slattery and Irene Dennert are carrying on the work.

Later reports will tell of other churches visited.—Leland R. Keys, *District Superintendent.*

LIFE'S FOUNDATIONS

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how enriched, those same heights might become if we were to climb them with our hand in Christ's, for He is our Elder Brother, our Partner in business, and our Friend through all of life's joys and sorrows.

Kings may come and kings may go. A mere man may become dictator, but when it is all over what will he have left if he has not gained Christ? For we are told so plainly in Heb. 12:27 that the things that can be shaken are going to be removed "that those things which cannot be shaken may remain."

Temporal things are going to have to give way to spiritual things. Our foundation must be deeper than the sand; it must be solidly fixed on the Rock Christ Jesus. For to know Him is life eternal (John 17:3). Let us strive together for those things that cannot be shaken. Let us dig deep. Let us build on The Rock! May we all bear in mind that such a mighty foundation as Christ Jesus merits the best of building and the utmost in carpentry. And let us build those things that will endure.

May we seek out a time each day when we can be alone with God that He may endue us with strength for the problems of the day. Let us use those precious moments as a time of reconnaissance in which we will, through the Lord's strength, diligently plan a spiritual building, a building of "faith, virtue, and knowledge, together with temperance, patience and godliness." And through all the process let us maintain "brotherly kindness and brotherly love."

FROM DEATH

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When I met her she was going to other churches, particularly the German-Lutheran, but she herself did not know anything of Christ nor His salvation. I knew more about the Lord than she did, for in my youth I had heard the Catholics pray and had seen them worship, and often heard the children tell stories about Him. But when she was sick she would tell me: "Surely I am suffering for my sins." Of course, this was like putting a dagger into my own heart, but I tried to persuade her that that was not so, as we were surely as good and perhaps better than many other people. But how can we comfort anyone without God, and what is a man without a Saviour? Our own arguments are so weak and cannot stand. I feel very thankful to the people in that hospital. I also thank God for the skill He gives to man in removing troublesome parts, though it seems like a theft from that which God created. But we are so far fallen from God, or we would not have those ailments. We had many friends, but with the exception of a faithful neighbor they did not even come to the hospital to see my wife. But there looms up a bright star from a generally unexpected source, and I dare not go on without expressing my gratitude to the men I was working for in the Bell Telephone Company of Philadelphia. There are still human beings about us. Arrangements were made so that I could work in the neighborhood of the hospital so I could go there at any time. I was home with my wife for about two weeks, and not one cent was subtracted from my wages. To the contrary, I was offered financial aid. Every good thing comes from above.

When my wife had sufficiently recovered, in the fall of 1911, a lighter cast was placed about her knee, which was taken off before we came to California. It goes without saying that we had to give up house and home and live with strangers. We then thought of a change of climate. We inquired here and there and finally decided on California, intending to leave as soon as my wife had gained enough strength for the trip. We came here in the spring of 1912. The change did her good, and she seemed to recover quickly. She then wanted her home back. I warned her, but she said that she would not have to climb stairs in a bungalow, and so could manage by giving out her wash and having things attended to about the house. She was then wearing a rubber bandage about her knee. But alas! The old ailments came back, and the other knee now began to ail also. But she would not have anything to do with physicians, for she had enough of them, and thought we could not afford spending money foolishly at that time. Tonics, masages and electricity were again resorted to. But then God sent us a messenger in a lady from across the street. She had seen some wonderful healings in revival meetings conducted by Sister Etter in the Arroyo Seco, Los Angeles. This was about the end of April, 1913, and toward the close of Sister Etter's stay. I laughed at the folly of such things. But my wife picked up the straw. "If there is anything in this for me, I am going to have it," she said with determination. For I had kept her from entering Christian Science.

Of course, she went with the woman, one of our sisters now. Those were awful times in our house. I loved my wife and took particular care of her on account of her weakness, which it seemed to me developed an awful stubbornness in her, though I know now that there was just as much of it, if not more, in my own self. I did not want my wife to be infested with such crazy ideas about healing. She went and was prayed for twice. She was asked whether she was saved. She did not know what that meant. She came home telling me that she felt much better, and was encouraged by the things she saw, entreating me to come out and see for myself, and to give up doctoring, for I myself was sick then with pain in the back so that I could not work. The physician promised to cure me by five or six treatments, one about every other day.

I was then going to him for over four weeks without any result. But I would not give him up. My wife began to go to those meetings most every day, and sometimes all day, which thing annoyed me. So one morning when this sister came again for my wife—she herself was not "one of them" yet—I gave full vent to my feelings. My wife told me I should feel sorry if I would not go, but that she was not going to be kept back. With that they left, but as they went out of the door, I said: "Wait a minute, I'll go with you, and I'll show you what a fake it is!" I thought it was but a scheme to make money, not believing that those people did not ask any remuneration for the wonderful healings they claimed. I believed it was nothing but a stage upon which those who seemingly were healed were nothing more or less than good actors. But what a surprise was waiting for me! We came toward the end of the morning meeting. I had set my mind to be impartial, for in that way I could better see what was crooked and what was straight. The platform was crowded with people. My wife urged me to go right up there. When I stopped on account of the people in my way, she would say: "Go ahead, you cannot see anything back here."

We came to the middle of the platform as they were pushing chairs aside to make room for a healing session. One gentleman was telling the people what to do and how to come and to let the worst cases come up in front, particularly those in pain and those from a distance. The people were sitting on a row of chairs, one taking the other's place as they moved on. I was right in back of this row. On the opposite side of the platform was a large band of singers grouped around a piano. As the sick ones were being prayed for they were seated upon a chair. They had to get their feet from under the chair and stretch their limbs. Their hands they had to hold up, some were clapping their hands. I could tell on the people's faces whether they came believing or not. In back of the patient stood a stout man, his both hands resting upon the head of the unfortunate one. An elderly lady (Sister Etter) in front was asking questions, directing, and in a stern voice commanding them what to do. Then she herself would lay her hands on the patient in prayer, but it seemed to me more a command than a prayer. Some moved off without apparent affection. Others would get up with great joy and vigor, shouting and praising God for their healing. Apparently they did not thank the woman at all. One colored girl I noticed particularly, who must have had something wrong with her left limb or hip. She was helped up on the platform and had either a crutch or a cane. When she got up from the chair she forgot herself and coming near the edge of a step she seemed just about ready to scream as the foot of her bad side went down on the next step. But her face immediately expressed amazement, and then she began to feel her hip and her limb all over and over again till she burst out in laughing, crying, shouting all at the same time, it seemed, while she danced around on the platform.

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